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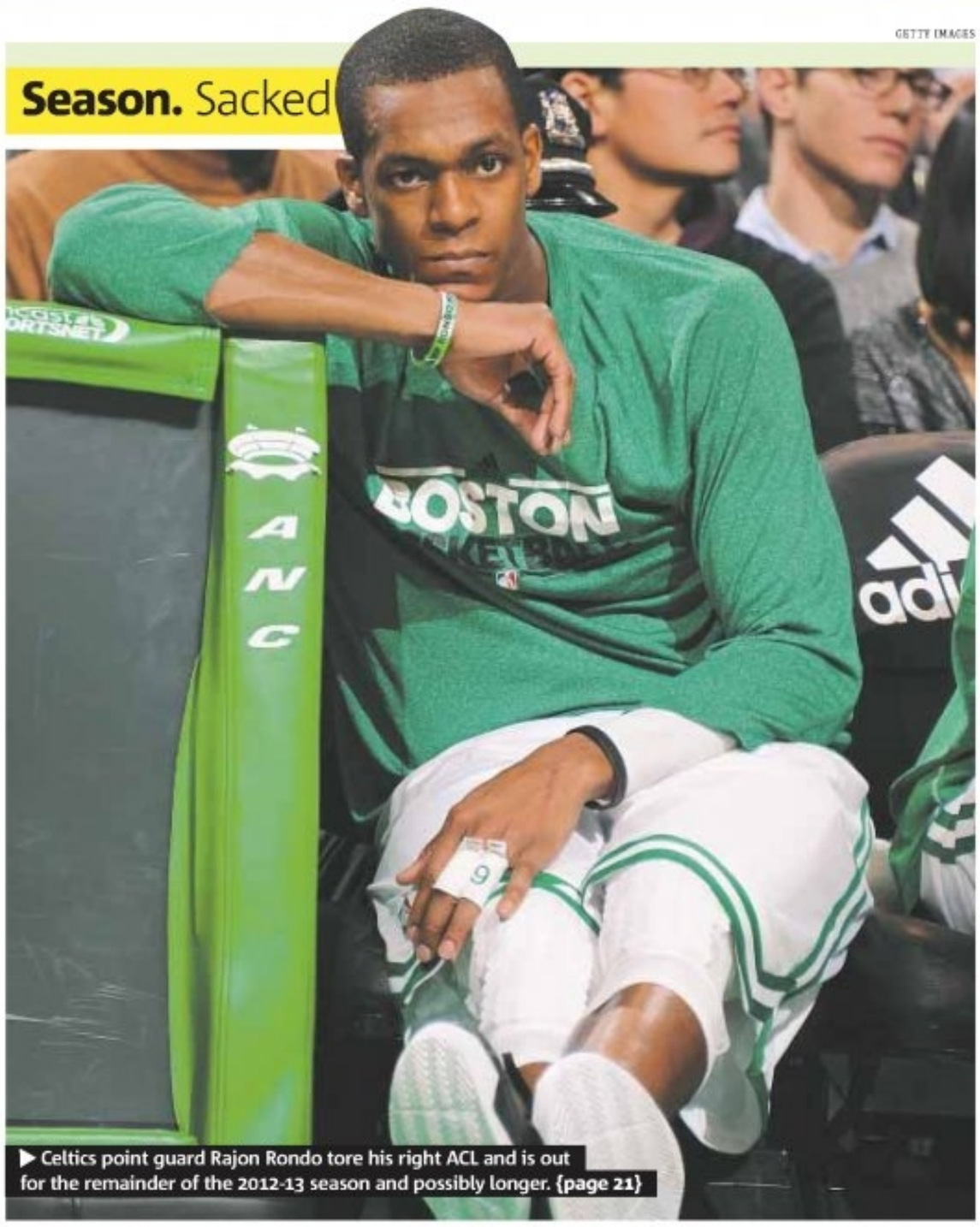

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Rondo: Out for the season

Northeastern alum brutally attacked while abroad in Peru

Villagers whip, stone 2005 NU graduate, relatives during 11-hour ordeal ◐ Jennifer Wolfrom, 30, tells Metro how her dream trip became a nightmare {page 02}

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By the numbers

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New data released last week by the Boston Redevelopment Authority in its "2013 Economy Report" shows an all-time record for 2012 employment in Boston, with 682,000 jobs. According to the report, the city has regained nearly all jobs lost between 2008 and 2010. METRO

Today's local tweet

"I hate when you're on the T and you notice the other car has more attractive people in it. #Boston #MBTA (@ MBTA Downtown Crossing..."

@TOMORUR, WHO LEARNED TO TAKE AN EXTRA SECOND BEFORE DECIDING WHICH T CAR TO BOARD

In the news

TWITTER/@NIKLUK

Gun control advocates rally at State House

BOSTON. About 200 people gathered at the State House on Saturday morning to call for tighter gun control legislation that would ban assault weapons and require background checks on all gun buyers. The rally, organized by the Boston chapter of national grass-roots group One Million Moms for Gun Control, coincided with similar events across the nation. One week earlier, about 700 gun rights advocates gathered at the same spot to protest gun control legislation proposed by Gov. Deval Patrick earlier this month. GLOBE

Men busted for alleged drug trafficking

BOSTON. Two men were arrested Friday after Boston Police found 500 grams of cocaine and $18,500 cash in their car. Firpo Pimentel, 34, of Boston and Jose Maldonado, 34, of Providence were charged with drug trafficking after police stopped the pair on East Cottage Street around 2 p.m. Maldonado caught the officer's attention when he allegedly offered up a fake ID. A police dog led police to the drugs, which were allegedly stashed in the car's air vent. METRO

Cops: Owner shoots dog

MIDDLEBOROUGH. A Middleborough man was allegedly drunk when he shot his dog. Police charged Gordon Lagstrom, 55, after they received a call from a local veterinarian who was treating a dog with gunshot wounds, according to the Enterprise. Police believe Lagstrom shot the dog at home Saturday afternoon. Lagstrom faces charges including animal cruelty, improper storage of a gun and being intoxicated while in possession of a gun. There have been no new updates on the dog's status. METRO

Northeastern alum whipped, beaten by Peruvian villagers

The 2005 graduate tells Metro about the moment she thought she was going to die Fellow NU students fundraise to help with medical costs

As the group of Peruvian villagers closed in on her, pelting her with rocks as she huddled under a small cliff, Jennifer Wolfrom heard her brother scream and then a loud crack.

"It was a board hitting him in the face ... at that point I had to assume they were dead and I was alone with people surrounding me and throwing rocks at me. This was the first point in time I was like this is how I'm going to die; this is it," Wolfrom told Metro in her first newspaper interview just days after returning to the U.S. earlier this month. She currently lives in Wyoming and graduated from Northeastern University in 2005.

The 30-year-old traveled to Peru last month to meet up with her brother and sister-in-law for a vacation. They were supposed to spend 10 days together doing what the three of them love — seeking out adventures. Instead, their dream vacation became a nightmare.

Wolfrom, her brother, Jed, and his wife, Meghan Moore Doherty, were driving a truck camper through Central and South America on a road trip. While making their way to Cusco on Dec. 29, darkness forced them to pull over. Wolfrom said that as the group split two beers to celebrate her birthday, they were approached by two villagers. They asked if they could park there and the villagers said yes, but soon began blowing whistles and using cell phones to alert other villagers of the trio's presence.

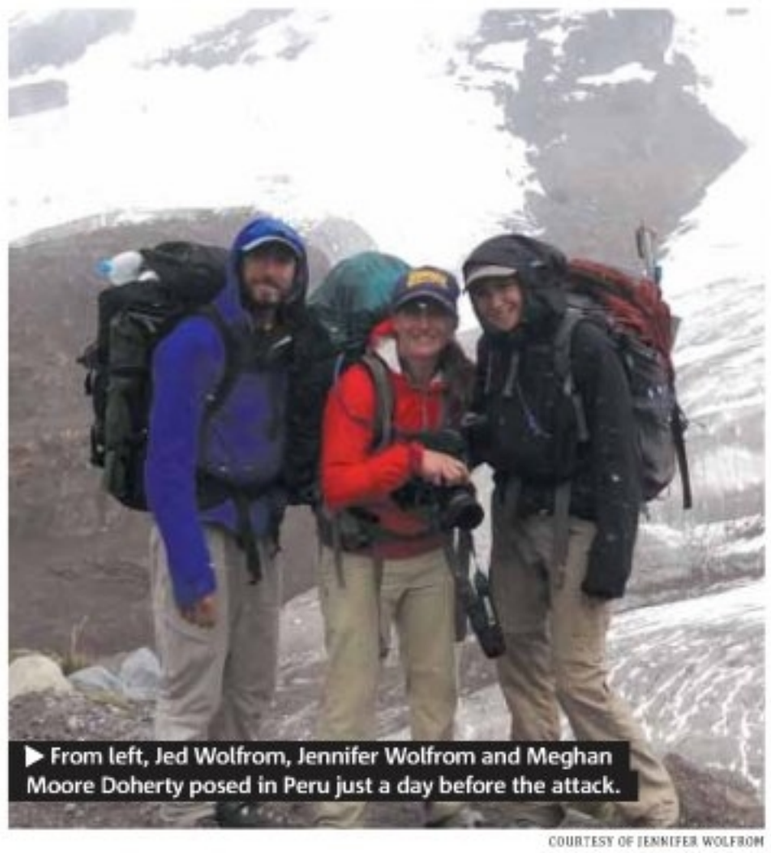
The villagers demanded to see their documentation, and Wolfrom said her group tried to leave. That's when the villagers started stoning them.

The villagers built rock roadblocks to prevent the group from leaving, she said. Jed tried to drive around them, but their truck got stuck. Rocks were being thrown through the windshield. One cut her jaw. The trio decided to make a run for it. They used cans of bear spray to fend off their attackers. For nearly an hour they ran, Wolfrom said, until they were surrounded and brought back. They pleaded for the village leader to let them go, she said.

Dozens of villagers held them for 11 hours, whipping them with ropes, kicking them and even once shooting at them, Wolfrom said.

Finally, the villagers said they could go if they signed a paper that said they were in a car crash. National police eventually came and photographed their injuries, the damaged car and the roadblocks, she said.

The villagers took their possessions, including their documents. Wolfrom wasn't able to make it home until Jan. 10.



▶ From left, Jed Wolfrom, Jennifer Wolfrom and Meghan Moore Doherty posed in Peru just a day before the attack.

COURTESY OF JENNIFER WOLFROM

Help from home

When Rachel Segien heard what happened to Wolfrom — one of her best friends and her former roommate at Northeastern — she was brought to tears.

Segien, who also graduated Northeastern in 2005, started an online fundraising drive to assist the trio in paying for their medical bills, lodging, cab fare and other expenses. Segien said the online fundraising effort spread and that in just a few days more than 350 people had contributed about $20,000.

Wolfrom called the outpouring of help "amazing."

"It's also hard. You feel kind of guilty accepting that kind of help. I'm not really the type of person that asks for help," she said.

"At this point, we were all bleeding severely from our heads and [Jed's] front teeth were knocked out and his eye blundered shut by a rock."

WOLFROM, IN AN ONLINE POST

Cause unknown

Wolfrom said she has no idea what made the interaction with the villagers turn violent so quickly.

She could only guess that it "probably was wrong place at the wrong time" or due to the villagers' feelings toward larger governments that are directed at foreigners.

On the State Department's Peru travel Web page, it warns that Embassy employees are prohibited from nighttime overland travel anywhere outside major urban areas because of the risk of robbery and unsafe road conditions.

It also said that of the 350,000 U.S. citizens that visit Peru each year, "a small but growing number have been victims of serious crimes."

▶ Jed Wolfrom's injuries

FACEBOOK

Consulate help

Wolfrom said the trio reached out to the U.S. Consulate in Cusco and that they started getting more help once they and their friends back home started contacting U.S. officials.

- A State Department spokesman said the Embassy in Lima provided assistance to the group.
- "The U.S. Embassy ... is aware of this disturbing account of violence directed toward three U.S. citizens camping in Peru," said John Echard, a State Department spokesman.
- "Since learning of the incident, consular officers from the U.S. Embassy in Lima and the U.S. Consular Agency in Cusco have provided assistance in securing medical treatment and are replacing travel documents and facilitating contact with friends and relatives," he said. "We are also in contact with Peruvian authorities."
- When asked if the U.S. was pushing for charges against the villagers, Echard referred questions to Peruvian authorities.

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In the news

Patrick seeks changes in juvenile murder laws

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▶ Patrick

MASSACHUSETTS. As part of an overhaul of the juvenile justice system, Gov. Deval Patrick plans to file legislation today to prohibit mandatory life sentences without parole for youthful offenders convicted of first-degree murder.

The proposal is a response to the Supreme Court decision this summer that ruled that such mandatory sentences violate the Eighth Amendment restricting cruel and unusual punishment.

Patrick is also proposing to extend the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court and the Department of Youth Services to 18-year-olds, and would eliminate the Superior and District courts' jurisdiction over 17-year-olds. Patrick has been seeking to reform sentencing laws for some time, pursuing reforms last session that would have eliminated some mandatory minimums for drug offenses. **SHNS**

Body and mind: Boston yoga studio offers life coaching

NICOLAUS CZARNECKI/METRO

▶ Yoga instructor Allison Jones of the Health Yoga Life Studio on Beacon Hill shows how coaching and yoga can be combined.

Bostonians who are weary of opening up to a psychiatrist might want to check out a new form of self-help that combines yoga with life coaching.

Health Yoga Life on Temple Street recently started offering Total Life Change Plan, a $300-per-month program that offers clients unlimited yoga and two hour-long life-coaching phone calls.

While yoga's ancient health and healing powers are old news, life coaching is something that has gained momentum in recent years.

"It boils down to conversations, which happen over the phone to accommodate people's busy lifestyles," said Aida Bielkus, an instructor and life coach at Health Yoga Life.

Conversations range from topics like addictions or stress to work or relationships.

"The topics vary, but it always boils down to us looking very deeply at where are they not taking emotional responsibility for their own lives," Biekus said. "It really supports one's change from the inside out."

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"Therapy still has a stigma attached, but this doesn't have that connotation that therapy has. I'm looking to be coached, not for someone to tell me what to do."

LIZ SWENTON, TOTAL LIFE CHANGE PLAN CLIENT

Beacon Hill resident Liz Swenton said she has tried traditional therapy but had little luck, so last month she decided to give Bielkus' program a shot.

"Therapy did a lot of drilling on the past. I'm going to be 31 next week, I don't want to talk about something that happened when I was 5 years old," said Swenton, who also admits that a perk of the TLC program is that she gets her coaching from home while wearing sweatpants.

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Get coached on life coaching

The International Coach Federation defines professional life coaching as partnering with clients in a thought-provoking and creative process that inspires them to maximize their personal and professional potential. Coaches try to figure out what the client wants to achieve, encourage their self-discovery, offer solutions and encourage personal responsibility.

In August, for the first time ever, the word "life coach" appeared in Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. **METRO/MR**

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Scott Brown's 'Bqhatevwr' tweet is talk of Twitter

Former Sen. Scott Brown sent out a few random and bizarre Twitter messages Friday night that have since been deleted from his account.

The strange tweets, which were captured in screenshots by The Huffington Post, were sent in succession Friday night, starting with "Bqhatevwr," then "whatever" and finally "Your brilliant Matt."

Just before that string of tweets, Brown replied to certain Twitter users with short, similar replies of "whatever michael," "whatever bud" and "whatever."

The tweets have since been deleted from his account.

A message seeking comment from Brown was not returned yesterday.

Brown, the Republican who won a special election in 2010 to replace the late Sen. Ted Kennedy, lost his reelection bid in November to Sen. Elizabeth Warren.

The most recent tweet on Brown's account is from Saturday morning.

"Did a run and now at the gym with Gail," he tweeted.

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In tweets

After the Huffington Post report, people took to Twitter to mock Brown's mysterious tweets.

▶ *#Bqhatevwr may trend for longer than @ScottBrownMA was in office* **@BOOKOFRUTHLESS**

▶ *Ask not what your country can #bqhatevwr for you. Ask what you can #bqhatevwr for your country* **@WRPITT**

▶ ***I don't always drink beer, but when I drink eleven, I prefer bqhatevwr. #bqhatevwr*** **@STEVEKENNING**

▶ *I'll take @MArkeyforMA over #Bqhatevwr any day. #Justsayin* **@EALMQUIST**

Pride. Rally

▶ A few dozen members of the local LGBT community rallied outside the Consulate General of France on Saint James Street yesterday, urging marriage equality in France.

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Oui for Equality rally held in Hub

Local gay pride organizations Boston Pride and GLAAD held a rally yesterday at the Consulate General of France in Boston to support marriage equality in France, which is currently working on a bill that would allow same-sex couples to marry and adopt children. Yesterday's rally coincided with massive rallies in Paris, Buenos Aires, Rome and Montreal. METRO/MR

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Report: Obama says rural voices need to be heard in gun debate

President Barack Obama urged gun control advocates to listen to views of rural Americans who use guns for hunting and said bridging a cultural divide in attitudes to gun ownership will be critical to his administration's push to curb gun violence.

"If you grew up and your dad gave you a hunting rifle when you were 10, and you went out and spent the day with him and your uncles, and that became part of your family's traditions, you can see why you'd be pretty protective of that," Obama said in an interview with The New Republic magazine published yesterday on its website.

Obama is making gun control a top priority for his second term after 20 children and six adults were killed in December by a gunman at a school in Newtown, Conn.

Obama spoke with The New Republic on Jan. 16, the same day he announced he would put the full weight of his office behind urging Congress to approve an assault weapons ban and background checks for all gun buyers.

"Part of being able to move this forward is understanding the reality of guns in urban areas are very different from the realities of guns in rural areas," Obama said.

"So it's trying to bridge those gaps that I think is going to be part of the biggest task over the next several months. And that means that advocates of gun control have to do a little more listening than they do sometimes," he said.

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▶ Mourners gather at the entrance of the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn.

Quoted

"Part of being able to move this forward is understanding the reality of guns in urban areas are very different from the realities of guns in rural areas."

OBAMA

▶ An assault weapons ban may be difficult to pass.

Vice President Joe Biden is leading the White House effort to talk to Americans about the gun control proposals and galvanize public support to pressure Congress to act. On Friday, he spoke in Virginia about the plan.

Gun ownership rights are enshrined in the U.S. Constitution, and past efforts to restrict gun ownership have been blocked by gun owners, the National Rifle Association and their supporters in Congress. REUTERS

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▶ Sen. Dianne Feinstein speaks next to a display of assault weapons Jan. 24, 2013, during a news conference on Capitol Hill.

Assault weapons ban 'hardest' to pass, Sen. Feinstein says

A proposed ban on sales of assault weapons would likely be an "uphill fight" and may not be part of gun legislation that reaches the floor of the Senate, Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California said.

"This has never been easy," Feinstein said on CNN's "State of the Union" yesterday. "This is the hardest of the hard."

A ban on the military-style weapons is among the legislative goals President Barack Obama outlined in his recommendations to Congress on curbing gun violence after the Dec. 14 Sandy Hook Elementary School slaughter of 20 children in Connecticut. Vice President Joe Biden said Jan. 25 that it will take "persuasion and information" to garner the necessary support in Congress to enact the White House package.

Feinstein introduced legislation on Jan. 24 to outlaw sales of assault-style weapons. It exempts all assault weapons legally possessed prior to passage of the law and excludes more than 2,200 hunting and sporting rifles. BLOOMBERG

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The new legislation prohibits the sale or transfer of 158 of the most commonly owned military-style assault weapons.

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Nightclub fire kills at least 232 in Brazil

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Television footage showed people sobbing outside the club while shirtless firefighters used sledgehammers and axes to knock down an exterior wall to open up an exit.

▶ Firefighters try to put out a fire at a nightclub in Santa Maria, in southern Brazil.

A fire in a nightclub killed at least 232 people in southern Brazil yesterday when a band's pyrotechnics show set the building ablaze and fleeing partygoers stampeded toward blocked and overcrowded exits in the ensuing panic, officials said.

The blaze in the university town of Santa Maria was started by a band member or someone from its production team igniting a flare, which then set fire to the ceiling, said Luiza Sousa, a civil police official. The fire spread "in seconds," she said.

Local fire officials said at least one exit was locked and that bouncers, who at first thought those fleeing were trying to skip out on bar tabs, initially blocked patrons from leaving. The security staff relented only when they saw flames engulfing the ceiling.

The vast majority of the victims, most of them university students, died from asphyxiation, officials said. Others were crushed in the stampede.

"We ran into a barrier of the dead at the building's exit," Colonel Guido Pedroso de Melo, commander of the Santa Maria fire squad, said of the scene firefighters found on arrival. "We had to clear a path to get to the rest of those that were inside."

An estimated 500 people were in the Boate Kiss nightclub when the fire broke out at around 2:30 a.m., police said. Witnesses said the club, which has a 2,000-person capacity, was always busy on weekends but wasn't any more crowded than usual.

When the fire began, many revelers were unable to find their way out amid the chaos, confusing restroom doors for exits and finding resistance from bouncers when they found an exit door. Once security guards realized the building was on fire, they tried in vain to control the blaze with a fire extinguisher, according to a televised interview with one of the guards, Rodrigo Moura. He said patrons were getting trampled as they rushed for the doors, describing it as "a horror film."

REUTERS

232 The death tally was lowered slightly, with police saying at midafternoon that 232 people had been killed, down from an initial figure of 245.

Timeline

The deadliest fires this century at entertainment venues include:

- **March 29, 2000** Paradise video parlor, an illegal porn cinema, at Jiaozuo in China's Henan province. 74 dead.
- **December 25, 2000** Mall in Luoyang, China; fire engulfs building workers and Christmas party at discotheque. 309 dead.
- **December 1, 2002** La Coajira nightclub, Caracas. 50 dead.
- **February 20, 2003** Station nightclub, West Warwick, Rhode Island; fireworks during heavy-metal concert. 100 dead.
- **December 30, 2004** Republica Cromagnon nightclub, Buenos Aires; flare for New Year's party hits foam ceiling. 192 dead.
- **January 1, 2009** Santika nightclub, Bangkok; New Year's party. 61 dead.
- **December 5, 2009** Lame Horse nightclub, Perm, Russia; indoor fireworks ignite wicker ceiling. At least 155 dead.

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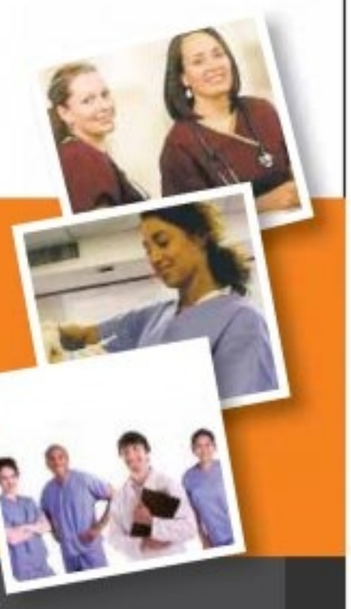

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Senate Dems to rework US immigration law

Senate Democrats plan to put forward an immigration proposal this week, with President Barack Obama telling Hispanic lawmakers that he intends to push legislation as quickly as possible.

Obama this week will begin a public campaign to build support for an immigration package that will include a pathway to citizenship for the country's 11 million undocumented immigrants.

A bipartisan group of six senators also plans to release a detailed framework for a bill as soon as the end of this week, Senate aides said.

The president "made it very clear that this is his No. 1 legislative priority," Democratic Representative Xavier Becerra of California said after meeting last week with Obama at the White House. "In every sense of the word, he is in the starting gate."

Since Obama won a second term, the administration has intensified its work on a legislative plan with immigrant-rights advocates, law-enforcement officials and religious leaders who support a change. BLOOMBERG

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▶ A Mexican member of migrants organizations holds a sign during a protest.

Four-prong legislation

Senate aides said the proposal will cover four major areas:

- Border enforcement
- Managing the future flow of immigrants to the U.S.
- Workplace verification standards
- A pathway for citizenship for undocumented immigrants

71%

Of Hispanic voters cast a ballot for Obama, who took executive action last year to halt the deportations of youth

11M

There are 11 million undocumented immigrants living in the United States.

News in brief

Hackers claim attack on Justice Department site

Hackers sympathetic to the late computer prodigy Aaron Swartz claimed on Saturday to have infiltrated the website of the U.S. Justice Department's Sentencing Commission and said they planned to release government data.

The Sentencing Commission site, www.ussc.gov, was shut down early Saturday.

Identifying themselves as Anonymous, a loosely organized group of unknown provenance associated with a range of recent online actions, the hackers voiced outrage over Swartz's suicide on Jan. 11.

In a video posted online, the hackers criticized the government's prosecution of Swartz, who had been facing trial on charges that he used the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's computer networks to steal more than 4 million articles from JSTOR, an online archive and journal distribution service.

Swartz had faced a maximum sentence of 31 years in prison and fines of up to $1 million.

The FBI is investigating the attack, according to Richard McFeely, of the bureau's Criminal, Cyber, Response and Services Branch. REUTERS

Quoted

"We were aware as soon as it happened and are handling it as a criminal investigation."

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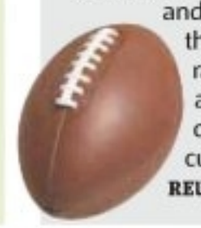
News in brief

Obama: Football should become less violent

President Barack Obama said he loves football but thinks the sport should "probably change gradually" so that there are fewer concussions, particularly at the college level.

"I'm a big football fan. But I have to tell you, if I had a son I'd have to think long and hard before I let him play football," Obama said in a wide-ranging interview with The New Republic magazine published early Sunday on its website.

Football is America's most popular televised sport, an industry worth $9 billion a year. But in recent years, suicides by brain-injured players and lawsuits from their families have raised concerns about the impact of repeated concussions. REUTERS



What public schools can take from the 12th century

Richard DeMillo wants to lift the veil on the inner workings of public universities. The former Hewlett-Packard executive has split his career between university administration and corporate hierarchy. Over the years, he's noticed a few things about how these organizations tend to function.

His latest book, "Abelard to Apple: The Fate of American Colleges and Universities," charts the legacy of modern higher education, from 12th-century scholar Peter Abelard to the current proliferation of online courses. But this is no history lecture. DeMillo's book challenges public universities to either adjust their models or be left behind.

"Since medieval times, the natural tendency of the university is to think more about their own value systems and professors' needs than the needs of society," says DeMillo, from his office at Georgia Tech. "I think it's time to start thinking about what a university offers to the public. There's a feeling among leaders that they have to compete with schools above them in rankings. That means they have to become research institutions and spend lots of money on buildings. But is that serving the student?"

DeMillo senses that the changing economic landscape is forcing universities to do some soul-searching.

"There is an elite band of universities that can afford to set their own agendas. And there's some startup higher education organizations that are experimenters," he says. "But in the middle you have some 3,000 institutions that don't have international brands or big endowments, and many are clinging to an outdated model where they hold all the cards. But now you can get the equivalent course material for free online, so it's time to rethink why they can ask a family to pony up so much money."

Quoted

"Universities go on spending sprees to build fancy dormitories and climbing walls, because it's the kind of bling that attracts students. But all of that spending is directed away from the classroom — away from actual learning. I think students and parents are starting to pick up on that."
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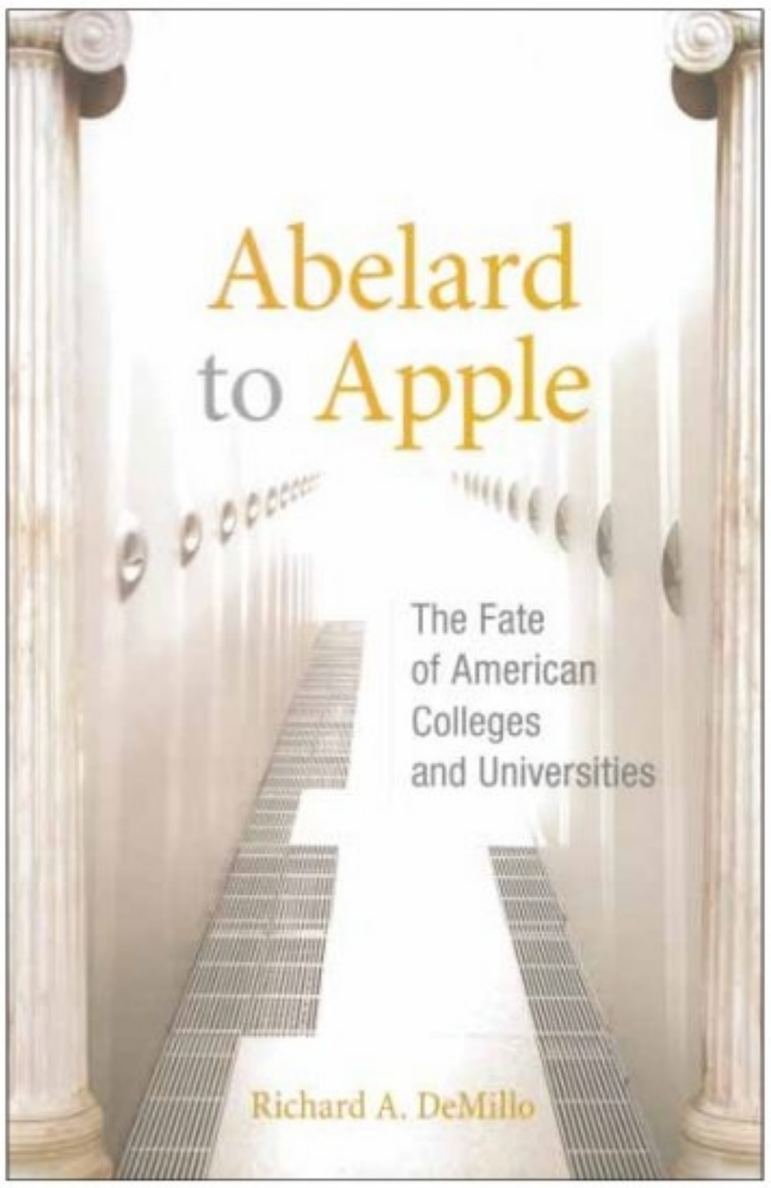

About

Richard DeMillo is the director of Georgia Tech University's Center for 21st Century Universities, a research center founded in 2011.

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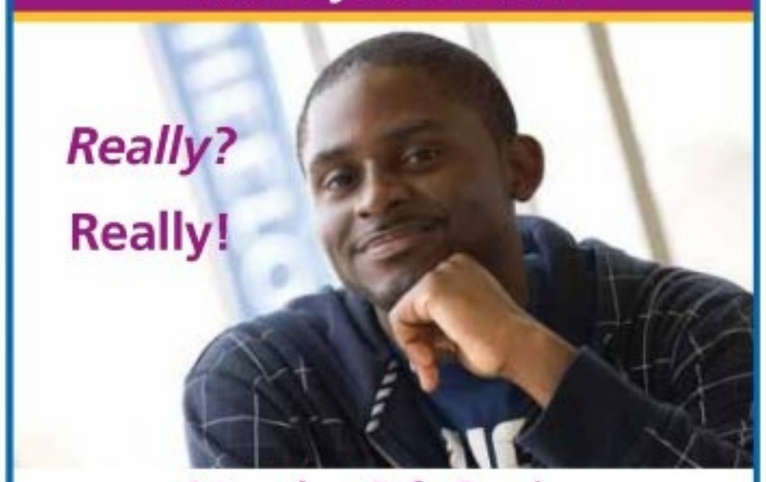

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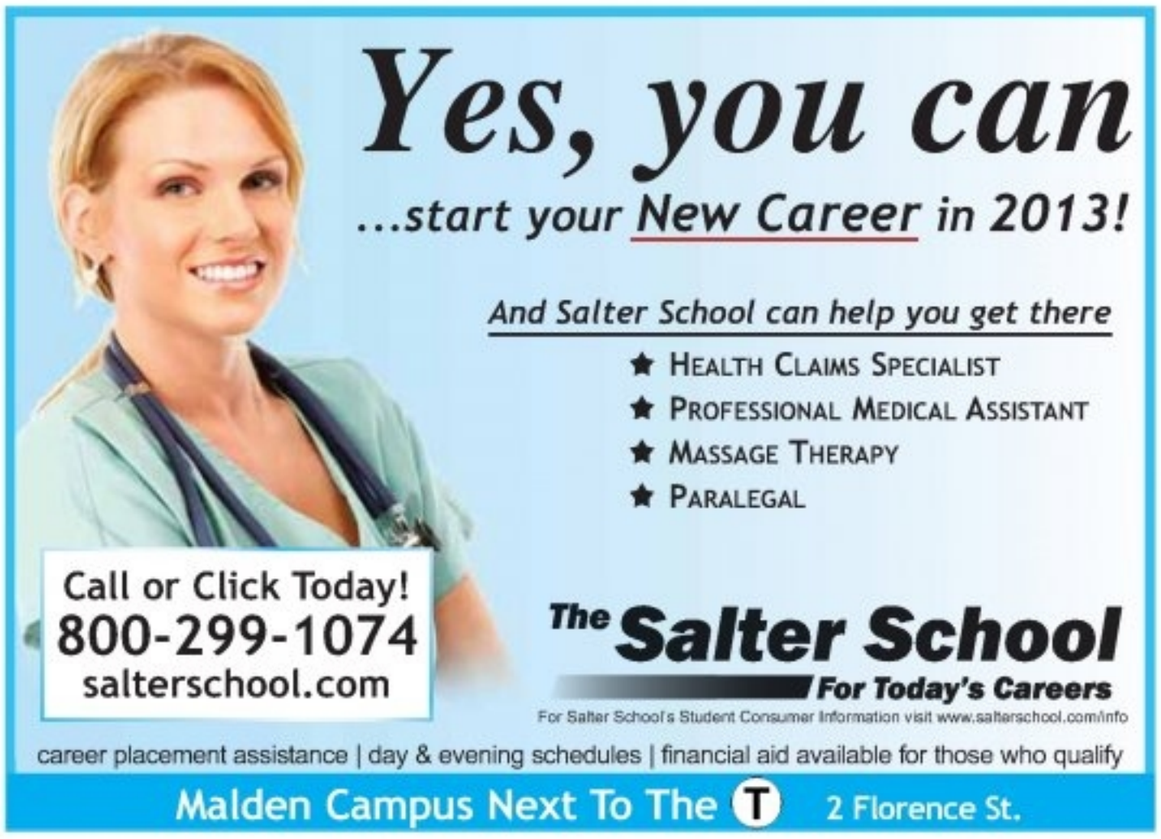
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I hope everyone is enjoying the weekend. I will be working on my scrapbook this afternoon.

@oliviawilde
Kate Moss says "nothing tastes as good as skinny feels"? Huh. I'm pretty sure that's because you live in England, dude.

Wilde

Is this the set list for Beyonce's Super Bowl XLVII halftime show?

▶ Destiny's Child, circa 2001. Work those outfits, girls!

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Poor **Beyonce** — can she keep anything under wraps? First her cover was blown about lip-syncing at the presidential inauguration by a member of the Marine Corp Band (loose lips sink ships — and egos, apparently) and now someone has leaked her possible set list for her Super Bowl XLVII halftime show.

According to Us Weekly, the set will start out with just Beyonce singing her solo hit, "Crazy in Love" and then she'll be joined onstage with her Destiny's Child mates **Kelly Rowland** and **Michelle Williams** for "Bills, Bills, Bills" and "Survivor"; they'll then wrap up the performance with their new single, "Nuclear."

The only way this reunion will be complete is if **Tina Knowles** comes back on board with her matchy-matchy, cheap-o costumes she used to design for the Destiny's Child girls. Come on, make it happen, universe!

Liberty Ross files for divorce

Rupert Sanders, the infamous "Snow White and the Huntsman" director, is now free to boink whatever young actress he wants (not that this stopped him before): His wife **Liberty Ross** has officially filed for divorce after Sanders' highly publicized affair with his "Huntsman" star, **Kristen Stewart.**

"This was a long time coming," one source says to Us Weekly, explaining that Sanders "did want to try to repair the relationship and didn't want a divorce." But according to another source, Ross found the betrayal impossible to get past. "They gave it a shot for the kids, [but] she was just so angry," the source says. "She's the kind of person who wouldn't really ever get over it." The couple has two children, daughter **Skyla**, 7, and son **Tennyson**, 5, who probably aren't the biggest "Twilight" fans at the moment.

Ross

Correction

In Friday's Word, I made a reference about **Dame Edna** being from England when, in fact, she is from Australia, as several readers noted. I will never mix up the provenance of my drag queens ever again. (**RuPaul** is from Canada, right?)

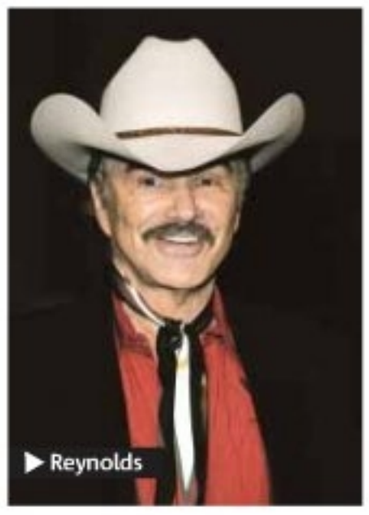
Talking points

Jennifer Lawrence has pneumonia

The pressures of awards season are taking their toll on "Silver Linings Playbook" star **Jennifer Lawrence**, who is suffering from pneumonia, according to co-star **Jacki Weaver**. The Golden Globe winner also earned a trophy this weekend from Australian Academy of Cinema and Television Awards, but Weaver was there in her place at the L.A. ceremony. "I'm going to receive this on her behalf," Weaver said. "Poor Jen is really sick. She really is sick. She has pneumonia."

Reynolds in the hospital

Burt Reynolds has been hospitalized with the flu and is being treated in a Florida intensive care unit, a rep for the 76-year-old actor confirms to E! News. "He is doing better. They are taking care of him and his mustache," his rep jokes. "His fever is down and we believe he should be taken out of ICU very soon."



▶ Reynolds

'American Pie' star calls off engagement

Seann William Scott is back on the market, as his engagement to Victoria's Secret model **Lindsay Frimodt** is officially off, his rep confirms to Us Weekly. "They remain friends. It was a very amicable split," his rep says. The "American Pie" star had first announced the engagement last March while promoting the reunion sequel "American Reunion," explaining that the pair had met on a beach vacation a year ago. "I don't how I got a girl like my fiancee," Scott told the magazine at the time. "She hadn't seen 'American Pie.' Thank God. Otherwise, I probably wouldn't be engaged."

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On the red carpet at the Producers Guild Awards

1: Amanda Seyfried brought the sass in a tangerine frock.

2: The beautiful **Jessica Alba** continues to pop up during awards season — but we're not entirely sure why, considering that some of her recent projects include "Spy Kids 4," "Little Fockers" and — gulp — "Valentine's Day."

3: Ben Affleck's "Argo" took home top honors at Saturday's show, held in Beverly Hills, Calif. Joke's on you, Oscar committee!

4: Affleck's co-star in "Argo," **Bryan Cranston**, rocked his Walter White look at the ceremony. Six months until the return of "Breaking Bad"!

5: Friends in high places! **Nicole Kidman** towered over fellow Aussie **Naomi Watts** on the red carpet.

6: Christian Grey — er, **Matt Bomer** — was looking fine, as usual.

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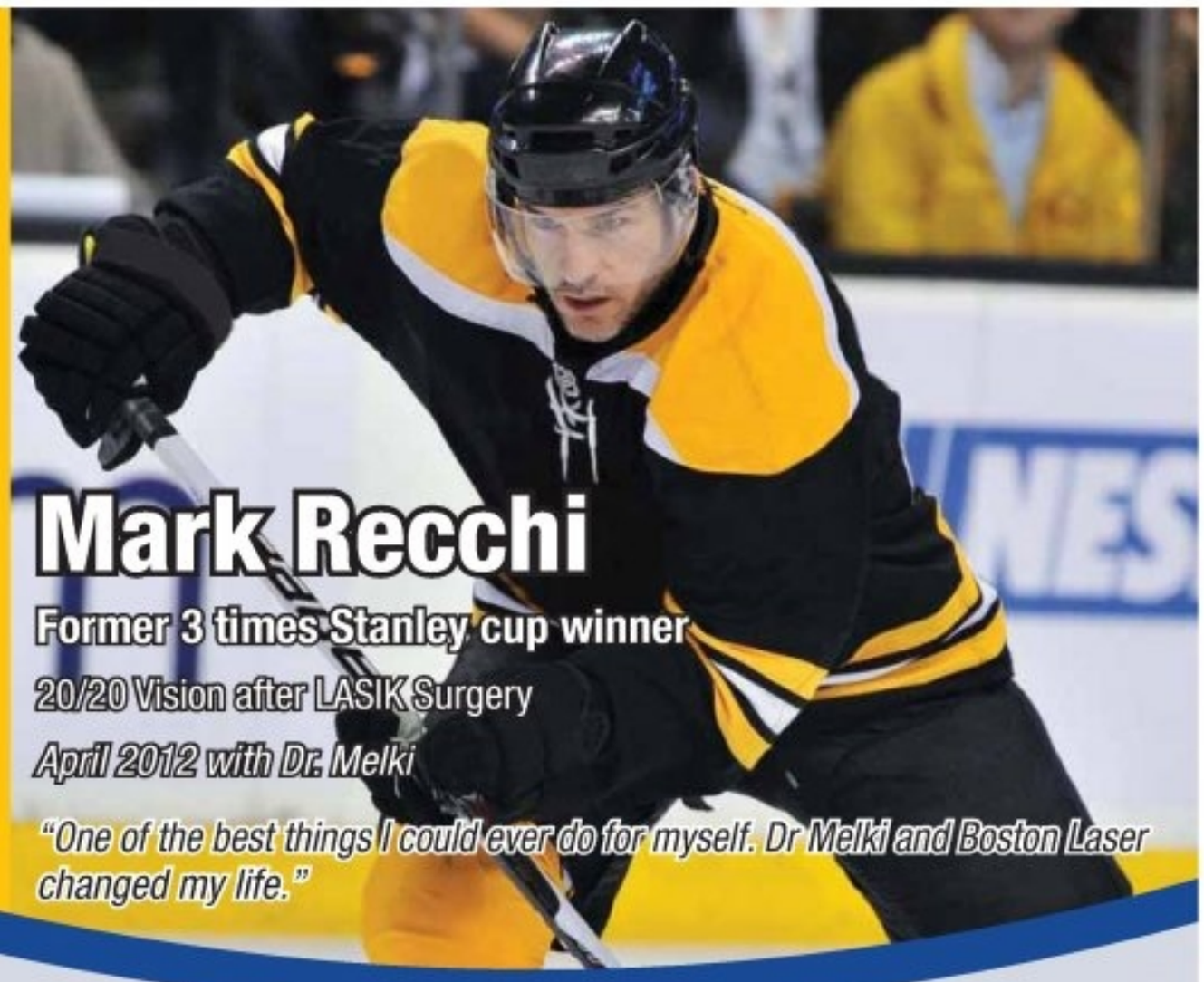

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'Hansel & Gretel' opens run at No. 1

Box office

A grown-up "Hansel & Gretel" grabbed the weekend box office title, pulling in $19 million in U.S. and Canadian ticket sales with its reinvention of the fairy tale characters as fierce bounty hunters.

"Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters" knocked last weekend's winner, low-budget horror flick "Mama," into second place. "Mama" earned $12.8 million from Friday through Sunday, according to studio estimates, followed by "Silver Linings Playbook" with $10 million.

CIA drama "Zero Dark Thirty" came in fourth with $9.8 million.

Jeremy Renner and Gemma Arterton star in "Hansel & Gretel" as crossbow-wielding adult siblings who travel the world taking out evil witches. MGM and Viacom Inc.'s Paramount Pictures produced the action comedy for about $50 million. Paramount had predicted opening weekend sales in the high-teens or low $20 million range.

Don Harris, Paramount's president of distribution, said the film performed well despite the very cold temperatures and snow that hit the eastern United States.

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▶ Jeremy Renner and Gemma Arterton are the grown-up Grimm siblings in "Hansel and Gretel: Witch Hunters."

Top 5 earners

1. **"Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters,"** $19 million
2. **"Mama,"** $12.8 million
3. **"Silver Linings Playbook,"** $10 million
4. **"Zero Dark Thirty,"** $9.8 million
5. **"Parker,"** $7 million

"We are pleased that we were on our number on a worldwide basis. It looks like we are on or exceeding our numbers, but we did get dinged with the weather on Friday," he said in an interview.

"The impact of the weather was certainly more than I had predicted."

"Mama" features Jessica Chastain as a woman forced to take care of two orphaned nieces who have been living in the woods. The $15 million production has now earned $48.6 million at U.S. and Canadian theaters through two weekends.

Chastain also stars in "Zero Dark Thirty" in an Oscar-nominated role as a dogged CIA agent searching for al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden. The best picture nominee, which has sparked debate over depictions of torture, has grossed $69.9 million since its release in late December. REUTERS

TV watch list

'Dallas'

DRAMA. He may have passed away in November, but Larry Hagman is as good as ever in his final stretch of episodes as J.R.. How will the loss of a legend be written into the rebooted soap opera's second season? Let's just say it doesn't sound like J.R. died of natural causes. **Season premiere, 9 p.m., TNT**

'RuPaul's Drag Race'

REALITY. Season 5 reveals a new cast of queens ready to work it. Among the celebrity guest judges are Juliette Lewis and La Toya Jackson. **Season premiere, 9 p.m., Logo**

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‘Roadshow’ comes home

- For the first time in more than a decade, the ‘Antiques’ return to Boston
- Producer talks about the promising items you may see on TV tonight

NOLAN GAWRON/METRO

▶ “Antiques Roadshow” premieres tonight at 8 on PBS.

For the first time in 12 years, and the third time in its 17 years on the air, the traveling television treasure hunt known as “Antiques Roadshow” returned home to Boston last June, and the results will premiere tonight on PBS.

The nine-time Emmy-nominated show that began at WGBH has since brought its crew and participating auctioneers on the road, inviting the curious to bring their questionable antiques for appraisal.

Predating more flashy cable shows like “Pawn Stars” and “Storage Wars,” “Antiques Roadshow” is television’s original reality appraisal drama. Family heirlooms and found treasures are assessed, mysteries are unveiled and sometimes fortunes are revealed. Just as often, hopeful hypotheses can be crushed and put to rest.

With 70 of the country’s best auctioneers, specializing in 24 specific categories, the “Roadshow” provides each local audience with a chance for free appraisals by world-class auction houses. Audience members receive an estimated value and complimentary historical background of their object. The best finds and biggest disappointments are later brought to center stage to be recorded with the possibility of appearing on TV.

There is no admission fee, but audience members must apply for free tickets. In Boston, more than 27,000 applied to attend, while only 3,000 pairs of tickets were granted. Picked at random, each winning pair was given the chance to have four items assessed. People can bring just about anything, and many do. Even Boston Mayor Thomas Menino brought in one of his favorite paintings.

At the Boston Convention Center last summer for the taping, a murmured roar echoed through the halls as a line snaked around the waiting area. Paintings were wrapped, furniture was wheeled in on dollies and countless specialties and rarities lay dormant, hidden in boxes, wrapped and waiting for their time to shine. People seemed eager to discuss their items with neighbors in line and the firsthand stories seemed to bring history to life.

According to executive producer Marsha Bemko, Boston’s best story regarded a woman who brought in a drawing of herself as a child drawn by Norman Rockwell. Meant to appear on a Kellogg’s cereal box, the portrait came complete with a signed letter from the artist, a photo with the artist and the wooden painting chair that Rockwell sat on in his later years. Her total collection was estimated at $140,000.

By the numbers

3,000

pairs of tickets granted for “Antiques Roadshow” in Boston. More than 27,000 people applied for tickets.

Spoiler alert

Later in last year’s summer tour, an early Diego Rivera painting was estimated at up to $1 million in Corpus Christi, Texas, making it the second most valuable item ever appraised on the “Roadshow.”

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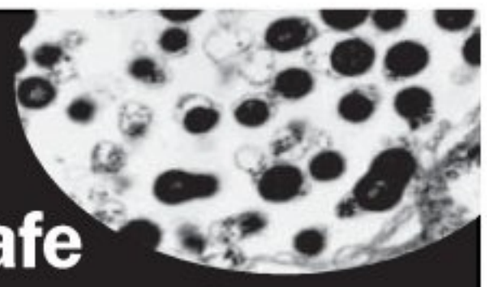

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Your complaint is a common one, and there are many ways to approach it. One therapeutic technique is to ask yourself what continuing to worry will accomplish. If there are underlying concerns — for example, what will so-and-so think of me if I don't do such-and-such immediately — inquire if this is the best time to explore this issue. If it's not, make an appointment with yourself to think about it during the day when you're rested. You might also try breaking your to-do lists down into navigable chunks, prioritizing tasks and identifying what can be delegated or even discarded.

Another technique is to search for reminders of your own competencies in handling your affairs; it's worked for me. One evening last November, as I was feeling overwhelmed with managing my late father's affairs, I read an interview about the hero's journey with the great mythologist Joseph Campbell. He said that every hero in mythology is given a test and equipped with the necessary tools and preparation to accomplish his or her goals (think Frodo in "Lord of the Rings"). Though hardly heroic in the classic sense of the word, I was certainly on a journey — life is a journey. So I asked myself the following questions, which I offer to you now.

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▶ **What tools have you been given?** Do you have a flexible schedule, financial resources and/or family support?

▶ **What evidence do you have that you can manage responsibilities?** When have you handled something that seemed overwhelming at the time? What did that teach you?

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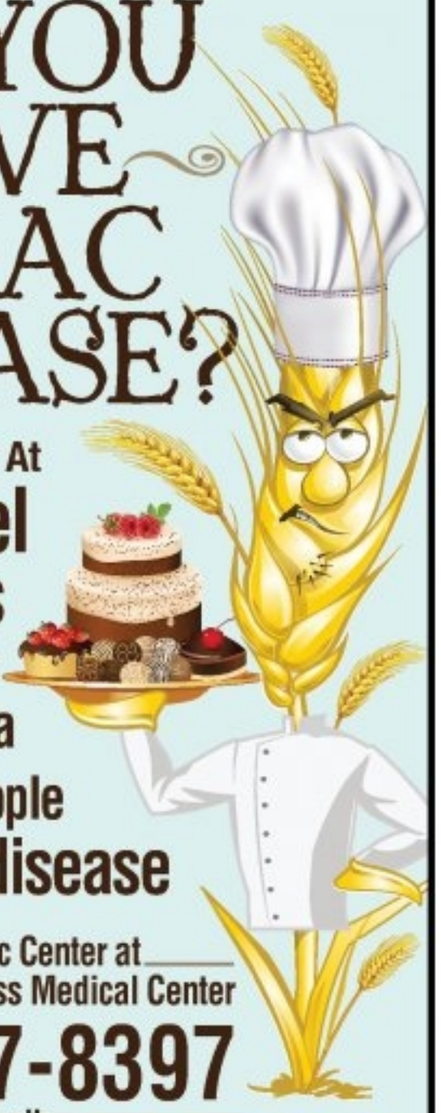

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What not to say on your job application

You're a team player with a strong work ethic and good communication skills? That's awesome — but keep it off your résumé and cover letter

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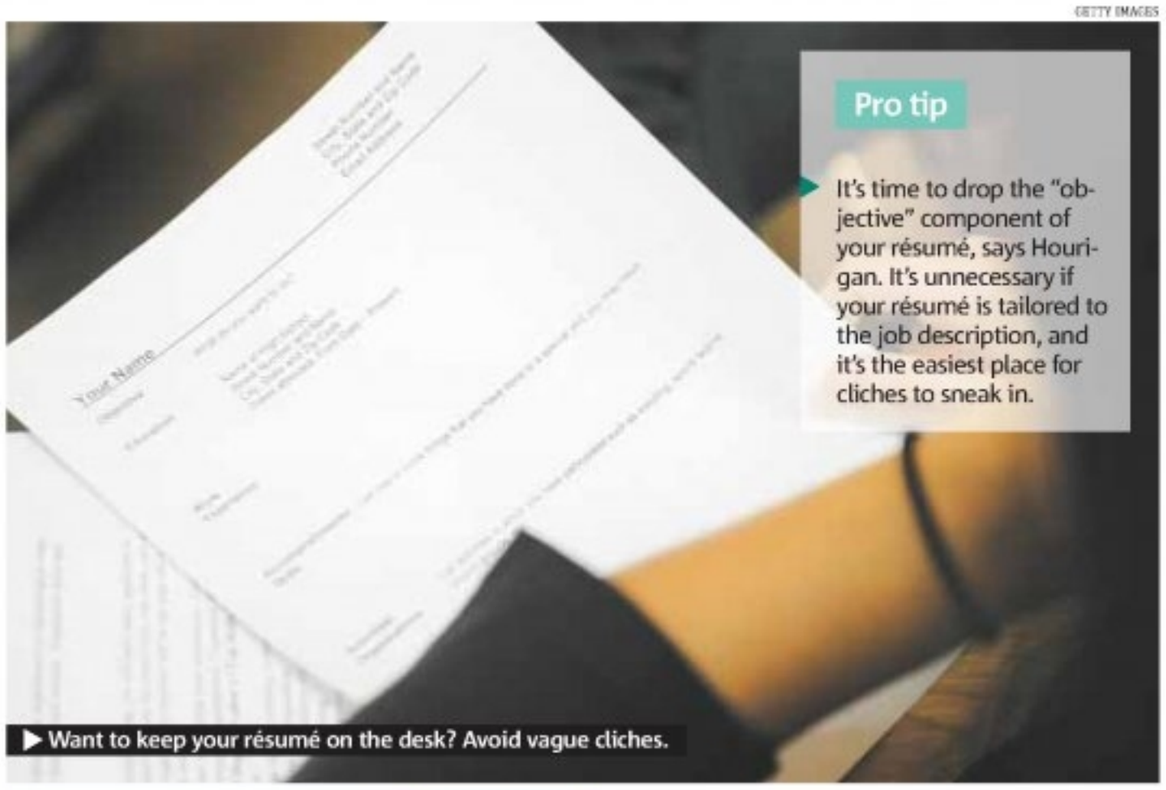

▶ Want to keep your résumé on the desk? Avoid vague cliches.

Pro tip

It's time to drop the "objective" component of your résumé, says Hourigan. It's unnecessary if your résumé is tailored to the job description, and it's the easiest place for cliches to sneak in.

Last week, jobless claims dropped to a five-year low, according to the Labor Department. But while companies are finally emerging from hibernation and hiring, the competition is still tough. How do you make your résumé stand out in 2013? We checked in with Lori Hourigan, a regional vice president with staffing firm Robert Half International, who has seen her share of weak résumés.

Avoid vague cliches

One of the biggest problems, says Hourigan, is cheesy résumé-speak. "Great communication skills," "team player," "strong work ethic": These phrases are not only overused, but they don't mean anything without stats to back them up.

"They're totally overused, and it's like anything else — people stop paying attention all together, and then it becomes irritating," she says. "You have to get specific. I was a team player when, how? It's OK to say, but then have something to back it up."

Another one to avoid? "Seasoned professional." Hourigan points out that, more than anything, this makes you sound dated.

Know your audience (aka, a search engine)

Not only should you tailor your résumé to the position, but you should keep in mind that a computer is likely reading it first — and computers appreciate direct language with keywords from the job description. "We now have all these fancy filtering systems that go through and pick up keywords," says Hourigan. "And I've got to tell you, these key words aren't 'great communication skills' and 'terrific team player.'"

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Keep your hobbies to yourself

In most fields, your résumé is not the place to list hobbies — not that this stops many job seekers. "It's great if your boss has the same exact hobby," says Hourigan. "But 99 percent of the time, your boss is going to say, 'What do you mean you square dance on the weekend?'"

Quoted

"The market is still super competitive — no one has time to interview 20 candidates and narrow it down to two or three. If they see a lot of fluff on a résumé, they assume you're a lot of fluff." HOURIGAN

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There seemed to be a lot of political wrangling over the tax increase for people making over $450,000. Not so in this case.

There does seem to be a significant inconsistency in being opposed to letting any tax cuts expire, but being willing to allow this particular tax cut expire.

Payroll tax hike means making do with less

Employees nationwide will notice slightly less heft to their paychecks in 2013. On Jan. 1, the payroll taxes that fund Social Security returned to 6.2 percent after being lowered to 4.2 percent as part of the 2009 stimulus package. To help sort out how this will affect your paycheck, Metro contacted Boston University economist Kevin Lang, who is a fellow of the Society of Labor Economists and a research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research.

How much money are we talking about here?

About 2 percent on your earnings – not dividends or other sources of income. This is just employment income up to $113,000. If you're making $50,000, that is an additional $1,000 you will be paying in taxes. But it could be a bigger hit to workers in the long run: Payroll tax hikes also raise the portion paid by employers, and evidence suggests that this can mean lower wages.

Why is it just up to $113,000?

You don't get any increase in Social Security benefits for any income over $113,000. The benefits you receive have to do with how many three-month periods you contributed and how much you earned in those periods. That formula tends to be progressive on the payment side and regressive on the tax side.

Did this temporary lowering of the payroll tax in fact stimulate the economy?

Most economists certainly believe that it did. If people with lower earnings get a slight increase in pay, they tend to spend more of it than people with high earnings.

BRUCE WALSH

Advice

It's time to take social media seriously

Social media marketing isn't going anywhere. Whether it's independent contractors for hire or a new position carved out specifically to handle a company's web presence, a career in social media is no fad. We learned some tricks from the experts on how to stay ahead of the competition.

Use the right tools

It's not just about monitoring Facebook and Twitter pages, it's crucial that you also use Google Analytics and Alerts. "Create a Google Alert on your business so that it comes to your inbox," suggests Anny Deirmenjian Deese, director of public relations and marketing at Davio's Restaurants. "It's important to know what people are saying about your business every day."

Dedicate time to learning and educating

Social networking does not stand still, and neither should you. "Every week, there are new tools and opportunities across social networks," says Deese. "Spend time reading, learning and joining the conversation." What you learn, you should also share. "Believe it or not, many people don't understand the value of social media, aren't on Facebook and have never seen a tweet," says Dr. William J. Ward, Syracuse University social media professor. "Get ready to do a lot of educating."

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▶ Social media is not just a fad — it's a tool. Learn how to make social media work for you and create a career around it.

Focus on your own page

When you're looking for an online media marketing position, you should make sure your feeds look exciting to future employers. "A Facebook page should demonstrate understanding of how to create content, target an audience and measure the return on investment through analytics," says Carin Warner, founder and president of Warner Communications.

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Washington's dead, but our rights shouldn't be

With all due respect, what difference does it make what George Washington said? The man was worm food 200 years ago!

The right to bear arms is STILL a right that we have and will continue to hold on to. Most people can accept that. What people don't seem to have the time for anymore is to accept the discipline that must come with this particular right. Guns and discipline — the two go hand in hand in a functional society (functional being the key word) and it's our job as people to uphold it. Start asking for money to TEACH discipline to the people — that is still within realistic reach. Control over who has the guns is NOT. Also, we the people have a certain responsibility with our freedoms. Giving the government the power to take that away is not a valid option (at least it SHOULDN'T be).

Give a country a fish and you feed it for a day. Teach a country to fish and you save it from inevitable collapse. You can quote me on it.

WALTER PURCELL, VIA E-MAIL

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"There are many of us who wear jeans, pants or skirts with pockets. These pockets ... can be used to store trash until you find a trash receptacle. The term I'd like to call into action is 'litter snitching.' You see someone litter, do what I do — single them out."

JOHN ALIVIXI, VIA E-MAIL

Don't let celebs be sole role models

RE: "DUNHAM SPEAKS OUT ABOUT RIHANNA" (METRO, JAN. 25-27) I'm so tired of hearing people talk about celebs. They are not raising your kids — you are. You are supposed to be parenting your kids! Teach your own kids what's right and wrong. They can like an artist — but when that artist does something you don't believe in, talk to your kids about why.

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Women in combat not unprecedented

The news that the Pentagon has lifted the ban on women serving in combat is good news. As a political conservative, I do not see this issue as a conservative or liberal issue but one of fairness and equality. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta and Gen. Martin Dempsey, who chairs the Joint Chiefs of Staff, signed the order rescinding the rule that stopped women from serving in combat on the front lines on Jan. 24. As Panetta stated, "They serve, they're wounded and they die right next to each other. The time has come to recognize that reality."

As a Vietnam-era U.S. Air Force veteran, I think it is the right thing to do. Women have been serving in combat for years over in Israel. The Israeli Defense Army knows first hand that having the best soldiers in uniform shouldn't be limited to a certain gender. Israel understands the dangers it faces every day and if that country can do it and survive, so shall we.

SAL GIARRATANI, VIA E-MAIL

Horoscope

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** You are not likely to make a good decision if you're forced to do so under pressure. Don't let yourself be pushed into coming up with an immediate answer.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Something you previously failed to attend to properly could demand your attention. If you don't take care of it once and for all, it will remain a burr under your saddle.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Being too assertive can make it difficult for you to get others to follow your lead. Respect others' abilities, and treat people as if they have some common sense of their own.

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Although you and your mate might have the same objective, your methods could conflict. If neither of you will compromise, trouble is likely.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Even though you're usually a rather easygoing individual, you could have a chip on your shoulder today. Try not to read too much into other people's words or actions.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** It's entirely up to you to protect your interests in both financial and social situations. Unless you look out for yourself, you could end up being the scapegoat.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** As long as you stick to your blueprint, things should go rather smoothly. Let another lead you astray, however, and you can kiss your careful plans goodbye.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** To be productive, you must be well organized and methodical. If you get off on the wrong foot, you might not find your equilibrium.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** Don't let friends get you involved in something that you don't like doing and can't afford, to boot. Be selective regarding your social activities.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** No one is questioning your capacity to achieve, but you first need to set goals that are actually attainable. Be realistic and practical at all times.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Instead of making mountains out of molehills, strive to be pragmatic. Harboring a poor attitude will make life much more unpleasant than it needs to be.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** If you need to negotiate with a tough cookie who has something you want and knows it, you can win out if you are courageous and firm in your dealings.

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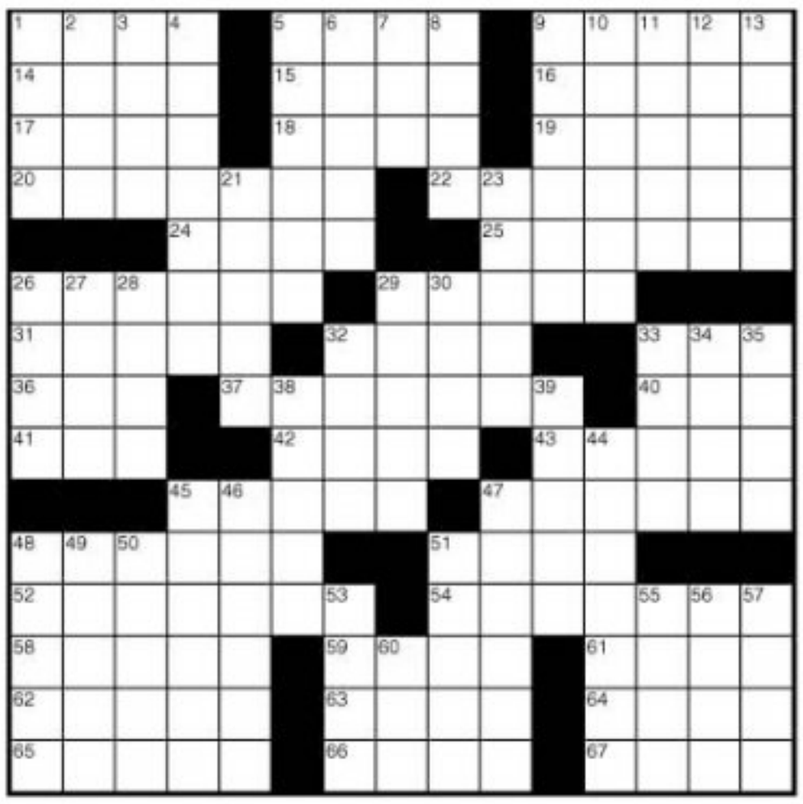

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Big win, big loss on one crazy Sunday for Celts

Celtics dealt extraordinary blow with Rajon Rondo out for season ◗ C's respond with biggest win of year

Three things we learned yesterday as the Celtics lost their point guard for the remainder of the season but still managed to beat the rival Heat, 100-98, in two overtimes:

1 LOST SEASON?
Rajon Rondo put in the effort yesterday morning to play against the Heat, but the right knee he "hyperextended" in last Friday's brutal loss to the Hawks did not feel any better before game time. The Celtics point guard was a late scratch and fans were deprived of seeing Rondo go at it with Heat guard Ray Allen.

Just two hours later, the news got much, much worse for the C's and their backers as it was learned that one of the more dynamic players in the game will be lost indefinitely as Rondo had actually suffered a torn right ACL injury in the Atlanta game and is done for the year. The results came via an MRI that was conducted at New England Baptist Hospital early yesterday afternoon.

The injury changes the Celtics plans for the remainder of the 2012-13 season dramatically. Even the most optimistic onlooker has to believe that the Celtics chances of competing for an NBA title this year are dashed and plans to "blow up the team," which had already been discussed heavily in recent days will receive new credence.

2 EMOTIONAL VICTORY
The Celtics played inspired basketball yesterday without No. 9, going toe-to-toe with the best team in the Eastern Conference late into the afternoon and ultimately coming away with a thrilling double-overtime victory. In the process they ended their ugly losing streak, which had reached six games.

Kevin Garnett (24 points) and Paul Pierce (17 points, 10 assists, 13 rebounds) were tremendous throughout, each playing over 45 minutes.

Leandro Barbosa (nine points) gave the C's a scoring punch off the bench at the point and Jeff Green (11 points) and Jason Terry (13 points) also provided the Celtics with quality minutes.

Big buckets by Terry and Pierce late in the second overtime proved deadly to the Heat.

LeBron James (34 points) buried a 3-pointer with seven seconds left to send the game to overtime and came up with several big shots in both overtimes for Miami, but his missed jumper with seven seconds left in the second overtime ultimately ended the game in favor of the Green.

3 RAY OF REMEMBRANCE
With 5:33 left in the first quarter, the Celtics attempted to fix the crowd's reaction to the Allen saga the way they allegedly like to fix in-game crowd noise. The team showed a touching Allen tribute on the Jumbotron, which was met with polite applause and even a loyal group that gave the former C's 2-guard a standing ovation.

Less than a minute later, Allen (21 points) checked into the game and received a steady stream of boos. Most every time Allen touched the ball after that, he got the old Jason Kidd treatment.

Allen did hit a pretty baseline jumper with just over two minutes to go in the first quarter to give the Heat an early 22-20 advantage and was solid throughout for Miami, leading the Heat bench in the first half with seven points on 3-of-5 shooting. He also buried a corner three, right in the face of his old Big 3 co-member Pierce with 25 seconds left in regulation.

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- **Be 21 years of age or older**
- **Be medically diagnosed with PHN**
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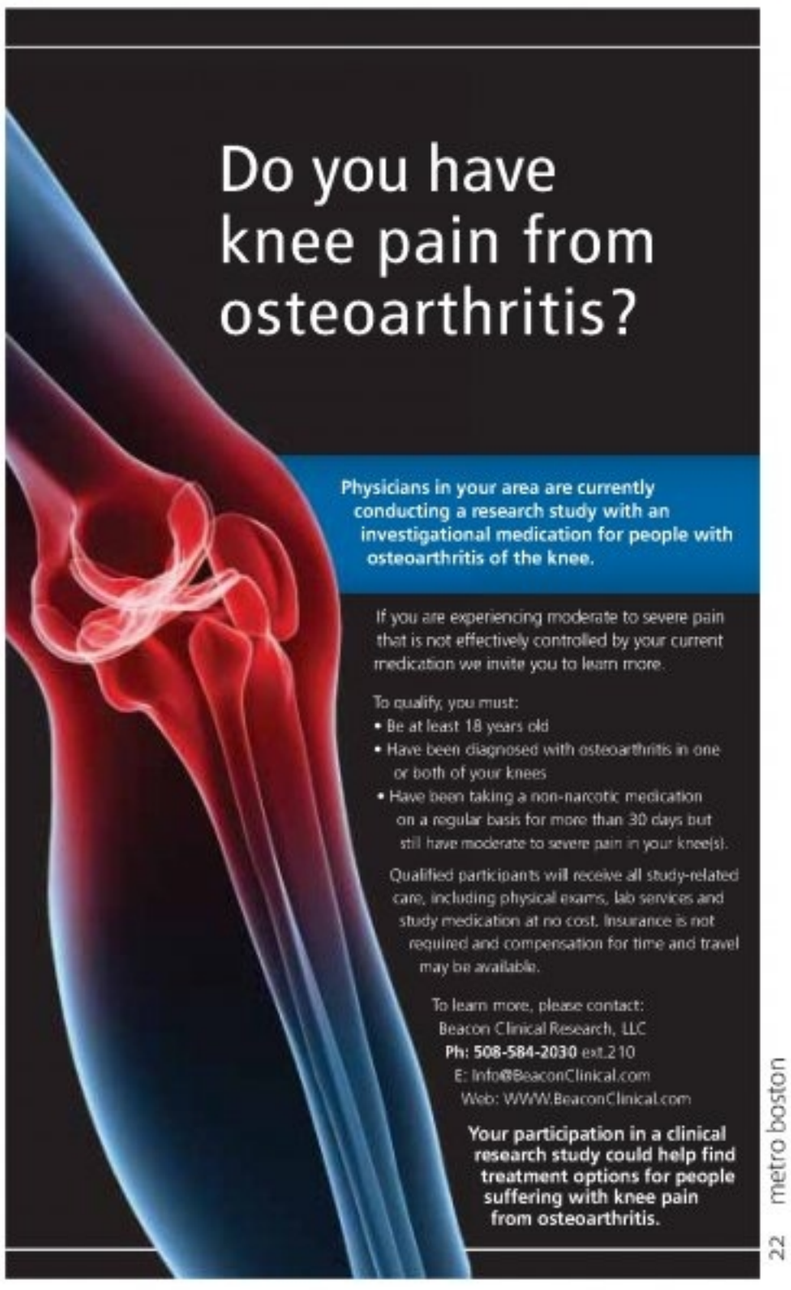

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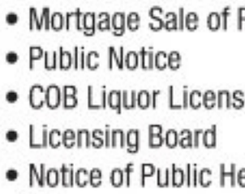

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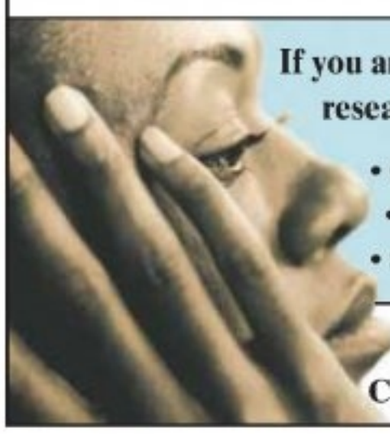

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